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AMENDMENT A

Assistant Commissioner for Patents

Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

This Amendment is being filed in response to the Office Action mailed from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on September 11, 2001 in the above-identified application. Reconsideration and further examination are requested.

Please amend the application as follows:

In the Claims

Please amend Claims 1, 10 and 16 as follows: